

**NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDED GENERAL PERMIT 3-9014**  
**NPDES GENERAL PERMIT FOR SMALL MUNICIPAL**  
**SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS (MS4)**

Please be notified that the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (the Agency) has amended National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) general permit 3-9014 on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2004 for discharges from small municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) to certain waters of the state. This NPDES general permit establishes requirements, standards, prohibitions and management practices for discharges of storm water from small MS4s. The amendments to this permit do the following: (1) extend the jurisdiction of the permit to the urbanized areas of Jericho, Underhill and Milton, (2) authorize waivers from the permit for small MS4s that meet criteria set forth in EPA rules, and (3) authorize petitions requesting designation of small MS4s.

Owners and/or operators of small MS4s in the expanded jurisdiction that discharge storm water will be required to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to the Agency to obtain coverage under the general permit. The NOI must describe how the small MS4 will comply with the requirements of the permit. After the adoption of these amendments, the Agency intends to waive permit coverage for the MS4s operated by the Towns of Jericho and Underhill but to require permit coverage for the MS4 operated by the Town of Milton.

Once an NOI has been submitted, public notice will be provided to the municipal clerk of Milton and the public will have ten days to comment on the request for coverage under the general permit. Anyone wishing to receive notification by e-mail or in writing of the start of the public comment period for the Town of Milton small MS4 NOI may contact the Water Quality Division of the Department of Environmental Conservation at the address or telephone number listed below.

After the close of the public comment period the Agency will provide the Town of Milton with a written determination of whether its coverage under the general permit has been approved or denied. In the event of a denial of coverage the Town of Milton will have to apply for an individual NPDES permit.

Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1269 any person or party in interest aggrieved by the Agency's decision to issue this amended general permit may appeal to the Water Resources Board. The notice of appeal must be filed (ie: received) at the Water Resources Board, National Life Records Center Building, Drawer 20, Montpelier, VT 05620-3201 (telephone (802) 828-3309) within 30 days of the date of this decision.

Amended General Permit 3-9014 and a summary of the Agency's response to public comments on the permit are available on-line at: [www.vtwaterquality.org/stormwater/htm/sw\\_ms4.htm](http://www.vtwaterquality.org/stormwater/htm/sw_ms4.htm). If you are unable to download the amended permit or responsiveness summary you may request a copy by calling 802-241-4320 or by sending a written request to: Water Quality Division, 10 North, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05671-0408.